GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:54
ANSWERED ON:27.07.2005
REACTIVATION OF TERRORIST CAMPS IN PAKISTAN
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of terrorist camps have been reactivated in Pakistan as reported in the Statesman dated May 24, 2005;

(b) if so, whether the matter has been taken up with Pakistan;

(c) if so, the details of talks held and the outcome thereof; and

(d) the details of the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to resolve the said issue?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) to (d) A statement is placed on the Table of the House

Statement referred to parts (a to d) in reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 54 to be answered on 27.7.05 regarding `Reactivation of Terrorist Camps in Pakistan`

(a) to (d) A number of terrorist camps have been reactivated in Pakistan. The Government has, in its interaction with Pakistan at all levels, continuously stressed the fact that Pakistan has so far not taken any significant action to dismantle the infrastructure of support to terrorism, such as communications, launching pads, training camps, funding, etc. Government is monitoring the situation very closely, and has made it clear to Pakistan that the premise on which the present dialogue process is based is the commitment of January 6, 2004 by Pakistan not to permit any territory under Pakistan`s control to be used to support terrorism in any manner. In the Joint Statement made during the visit of President Musharraf on April 18, 2005, both countries reaffirmed the commitments made in the Joint Press Statement of January 6, 2004.